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BODY LENGTH-BASED PARAMETER

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 21, 2003, please amend the above-identified U.S. Patent application by rewriting claims 37, 48, and 66 as follows: